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IRRADIATION APPARATUS,

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE.

AND METHOD OF FABRICATING)

THE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 29, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

Cancel claims 15-41 without prejudice to Applicant's right to file a divisional application with respect thereto-

Please amend claims 1-8 and 11-12 as follows:

(Amended) A beam homogenizer for forming a laser beam elongated in one direction on an irradiated surface, comprising:

two reflectors for splitting said laser beam.

2. (Amended) A beam homogenizer of claim 1, wherein said laser beam has a length of 600 mm or more along said one direction on said irradiated surface.

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